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- 1. TO TAKE DECISIONS "TO RADICALIZE THE REVOLUTION" IS ONE THING; TO IMPLEMENT THEM IS ANOTHER.
- 2. MOBUTU, MRP POLITBUREAU, AND MINSTERS ECONOMY, COMMERCE, AGRICULTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS, ACCORDING OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUES, ARE NOW HARD AT WORK TRYING FIGURE OUT HOW "TO MANAGE AND CONTROL FIRMS THAT HENCEFORTH WILL BE UNDER STATE CONTROL."
- 3. IN MEANTIME "ACQUIRERS" OF FIRMS "ZAIRIANIZED" 30 NOV. 73 AND "DIRECTORS" OF FIRMS SUBJECT TO DECISION OF DEC. 30, 1974, ARE INSTRUCTED TO CARRY ON AND TOLD THEY "REMAIN RESPONSIBLE AND ACCOUNTABLE" UNTIL FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS ARE ISSUED.
- 4. SOMEWHAT SIMILAR SITUATION DOUBTLESS EXISTS IN OTHER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AREAS, E.G. COMMITTEE HAS BEEN GIVEN ONE WEEK TO PREPARE

TEACHING MANUALS AND INSTRUCTION MATERIALS FOR NEW COURSES IN "CIVIC AND POLITICAL EDUCATION."

5. SO FAR IT HAS BEEN IMPOSSIBLE TO OBTAIN APPOINTMENTS AT AUTHORITATIVE LEVELS OF GOZ TO EXPLOFE IMPLICATIONS FOR US INTERESTS POSSIBLY AFFECTED. I.E. BUSINESS, MISSIONARIES, PEACE CORPS. WE SUSPECT MORE MEASURES MAY BE ANNOUNCED BY MOBUTU TOMORROW AND HOPE FOR SOME CLARIFICATION. IN MEANTIME, WOULD REMIND WASHINGTON THAT IN IN PAST, AT LEAST, MOBUTU AND GOZ HAVE SHOWN REALISM AND PRAGMATISM IN CARRYING OUT SUCH SWEEPING DECISIONS. WISH REITERATE MOBUTU HAS STATED FIRMS ESTABLISHED UNDER 1969 INVESTMENT CODE NOT RPT NOT AFFECTED.

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